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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Ross J. Hamel Confirmation No.: 6800
Serial No.: 10/676,170 Art Unit: 3732
Filed: October 2, 2003 Examiner: Kilkenny, Patrick J.
For: RETRACTOR WITH Attorney Docket No: 8932-684-999
INTERCHANGEABLE (232203-999036)
RETRACTOR BLADES

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The fee required to be filed with the accompanying amendment of even date herewith concerning the above-identified application has been estimated to be \$0.00.

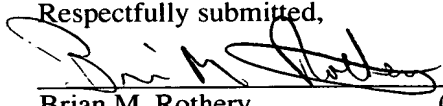
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Date: July 19, 2006

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Enclosure



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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated May 19, 2006, the following amendments and remarks are submitted for entry and consideration during the examination of the above-identified application. The aforementioned amendments are believed to put the application in condition for allowance or at least put them in better condition for allowance and appeal, and should therefore be entered by the Examiner.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.